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SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR. Please send all DX announcements/information ONLY to the addresses below and **NOT** to the distribution InterNet address of: dxinfo@barf80.nshore.org

4X9 & 4Z9, ISRAEL. The prefixes of 4X9 or 4Z9 are being used by Israeli novice class licences. Following the 9 digit, there should be 3 letters suffix (e.g. 4Z9FIG). This licence permits operating on HF (40 and 15 meters) in CW mode only.

6Y, JAMAICA. Fred Maia, W5YI (editor of the W5YI Report), will be operating as **W5YI/6Y5, August 11-18th.** Look for his 5-watt CW signal 10-40 kHz up from the bottom of the 20 and 40 meters bands. QSL to his home address: P. O. Box 565101, Dallas TX 75356-5101.

A35, TONGA (UPDATE). An update received direct from Paul Kidd, KK6H, now signing **A35RK**, states he arrived in Tonga on **July 31st**. He became active on **August 1st** and at the present, he is operating 40-30-20-17-15 meters with operations on CW/RTTY/AMTOR. He is expecting a "package" of new antennas from Force 12 soon. When they arrive he will be active on 80-10 meters. Paul states again there will be NO 160 meter operation at present, and it's very doubtful that he will have a 160 meter antenna in the near future. Paul also mentions the following: "The "A35 BURO" situation is still uncertain. Discussions with the Director of Tonga Telecom, Hama Naati, are in progress. What we may end up with...and this is only a very preliminary speculation...is a bureau which will only handle cards for paid-up members of the Tonga Amateur Radio Society."

CARIBBEAN DXPEDITION. Peter/PA3BBP, Rob/PA3ERC, Ronald/PA3EWP and Dick/PA3FQA, all members of the Contestgroup Oude Maas (PI4COM), will spend their HAM holiday on **Guadeloupe (FG)**, **Dominica (J7)** and **Martinique (FM)** between **September 13th and October 6th**. They will be active with two stations around the clock on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. The equipment will be two FT990s, two R7000s and many copper wires to make an antenna for the topband. Their schedule looks as follows:

- **FG-GUADELOUPE**
 - **September 13-18** - Signing as FG/homecall and will be active during the WAE SSB Contest.
 - **14-15** - Using a special call, **TO5C** (callsign not confirmed yet) as a multi-single entry.
- **J7-DOMINICA September 18-30** - Signing as **J7/homecall** and will be active during the **CQWW RTTY Contest** with a special callsign **J77C** (not confirmed yet) as a multi-single entry.
- **FM-MARTINIQUE Sept 30 to Oct 6** - They will be active as **FM/homecall**.

All QSLs will be handled again via PA3ERC by the bureau or direct to Rob Snieder, Van Leeuwenstraat 137, 2273 VS Voorburg, Holland.

CORRECTION. In last week's bulletin (OPDX.265), we mentioned the activation of **TM5BEN** from **Bendor Island** as a IOTA island. We have learned since then Bendor is not an IOTA, but this island is valid for the DIFM (Diplome from French Metropolitan Islands) Award.

DX, PHILIPPINES. Nao, JA1HGY, will be active **August 13-16th**, as **DX1RVN**. From Manila his suggested frequencies are: 10104, 10114, 18074, 18134, 24894, 24934 etc.... QSL via JA1HGY, Nao Mashita, 8-2-4 Akasaka, Minato, Tokyo 107, JAPAN

FO0, FRENCH POLYNESIA. The LYON DX Gang will once again be active to provide IOTA and EWWA contacts. They will be signing **FO0SUC** (same as 1995 operation from OC-66 and OC-131). Their activity will be all HF bands on CW and SSB. From **October 9-14th**, they will be active from **Rurutu Island (OC-050)**. This island is located at 580 km south of Tahiti in the archipelago of Australes. Their operating QTH will be on the north shore, nearby Moerai. They report a **submission will be made for a new DXCC country** (after 2 failed attempts)!!! From **October 14-19th**, they will be active from **Tubual Island (OC-152)**. This island is located at 670 km, south east of Tahiti and their operating QTH will be Mataura village in the north shore of the island. Their equipment will be a Kenwood TS-50, a vertical HF6V and a 20 meter dipole. The QSLs must be sent via the bureau to F5JJW or direct to: P.O. Box 7, 69520 Grigny, France.

FREE COPY OF "ISLAND HOPPER". Terry, W9JOO (E-mail: qrziota@aol.com), reports you can receive a FREE copy of "Island Hopper", which is published 26 times a year and is devoted to island hunting anywhere in the world (IOTA, USI, CAN. ISLANDS). Just E-mail Terry your call and mailing address; and a copy of "Island Hopper"/Subscription information will be on their way 1st class mail! Published by Art, N2AU (Publisher of Inside DX) and Terry, W9JOO (Contester & DXer).

GW, ST. TUDWALS ISLAND (WALES). This Welsh island, IOTA EU-106, will be on the air **August 16-18th**. The callsign to be used is **GB2STW**. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters (ed. probably on 14260 kHz), but there will be some 80/40 meters operation. This activity was postponed earlier from June due to bad weather. QSL via G3JNJ or via bureau.

JD, OGASAWARA ISLAND (Just a reminder!). Begin looking **August 14th** for a large operation to take place from here. Operations will last for about 9 days with the team signing

JD/7J1AYK. Details on frequencies and their WEB-site can be obtained in OPDX.263 by sending a message to:

opdx-request@nshore.org
SUBJECT: archive
get volume96/263.0 (In the message text. This is case sensitive.)

KL7, ALASKA. Jerry, **KD0WZ/KL7**, is currently active from **Middleton Island**, Alaska (**NA-042** and **AK-132S**). Listen to the IOTA frequency of 14260 kHz where Jerry will report in from time to time (if time permits). Jerry is a U.S. Government engineer at the FAA station on the island. If you need Jerry, a sked can be arranged via E-mail by Mike, AL7OB, who works him on 75 meters most nights. Mike's InterNet E-mail address is: melum@anc.ak.net

NEW OFFICERS FOR DX CLUBS 1996-97..... The following were elected officers in the Oklahoma DX Association. These members will serve during the 1997 associational year (October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997).

President - Jim Hood, WV5S
Vice President - Ross Hunt, K5R
Vice President - Steve Sweetko, AA4BG
Secretary/Treasurer - Mark Byard, N5OGP

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QSL CARDS UPDATE..... Masahiro, JJ2QXI, reports that all the direct requests for **VP5/JJ2QXI** have been sent. Cards via the bureau will be sent after VP5/JJ2QXI becomes a member of Japan Amateur Radio League....

RTTY CONTEST. Here is your chance to work some new ones on RTTY! The SARTG WW RTTY Contest will be next weekend and has three periods of operation starting 0000-0800z and 1600-2400z Saturday, **August 17th**. The final period is 0800-1600z Sunday, **August 18th**. Exchange consists of RST plus QSO serial number commencing 001. Bands to be used are: 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 29 MHz.

SPECIAL CALLSIGN. Aris, 5B4JE (General Secretary of CARS), reports Cyprus stations for the months of **August** and **September** will be using the special callsign **C4UWC**. The callsign will be used to celebrate the 5th World University Windsurfing Championship which will take place in Limassol, Cyprus. Participating stations will be signing their callsign/their suffix.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Sergej, RW0LBW, is currently signing **VP8CWI** and is the first Russian HAM on Falklands. He started his activity in the **middle of July** and will be active **for about 1 year**. There have been no QSNs reported recently. Sergej does ask for QSLs to be sent: Box 559, Stanley, Falkland Island

VK0, HEARD ISLAND (Team Update). Bob, KK6EK, announces one member of the team for the Heard Island expedition unfortunately had to withdraw for professional reasons. Bob

states, "We therefore have a vacancy. If you are interested in joining the expedition, please contact us." The current team is: EA8AFJ/Michel Sabatino, HB9AHL/Willy Rusch, JH4RHF/Junicho Tanaka, KA6W/Ted Algren, K0IR/Ralph Fedor, K4UEE/Bob Allphin, K9AJ/Mike McGirr, KK6EK/Robert Schmieder, N6EK/Bob Fabry, NP4IW/Carlos Nascimento, ON6TT/Peter Casier, PA3DUU/Arie Nugteren, RA3AUU/Igor Booklan, VK2TQM/David Muller, W6OTC/Glenn Vinson, W8FMG/Wes Lambole, WA0PUJ/Glenn Johnson, WA3YVN/Al Hernandez and 9V1YC/James Brooks. Bob can be reached via E-mail: cordell@ccnet.com

WH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Yoshi, JE2EHP, and Nob, JF2MBF, will be on the air from **Rota Island** as **WK3D/WH0**, from **August 11-17th**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters with operations on both SSB and CW. All QSLs should go to JF2KOZ either bureau or direct (SASE).

1997 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION will be held at the Centre Plaza Holiday Inn, **April 4-6, 1997**. The Park Centre Fresno location is more spacious than the Visalia venue. More rooms are available, as is RV parking. There will be a special convention rate of \$78.00 per room. The telephone number is (209) 268-1000. Convention Co-chairman Rich, WB6UDS and Rich, AB6ZV promise that this convention will have more activities and prizes. And, in addition to the usual convention patch, every registered attendee will receive a unique gift. Future notices and details will be forthcoming.

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